

000 men) are known to have been engaged in the enemy's unsuccessful attacks yesterday north of the Somme, and the fighting was very severe on

the River Aveyr, and when pushed furthest its front still was nine miles from Amiens at its nearest point. Another front, the Aisne, lies in front of the first, paralleling the Aveyr, marked roughly by Malpart, Mailly and Castel, but a more pronounced check yesterday north of the Luce forces the enemy to bend back his front along the southern bank of the latter river. It has been unable to occupy Hannard or the wood above and he made little progress in the region where he most desired to break through. The Aisne, crossed by the Roze road is a portion of yesterday's initial gains wrested from the enemy in a determined counter attack, which was repulsed. The position was occupied by the enemy after prolonged resistance, but before the Germans could consolidate and bring up more troops they were thrown back by a dashing charge of the American division which pinned the enemy nearly at the river's edge.

Fight Lasts All Day.

It was an all day fight, the German artillery fire being heavy. The German masses still seemed undiminished. Agassan losses were inflicted that were severe.

The next stage of the retirement took them to the line at Prayart, where they hastily dug themselves into trenches and stayed two days, being continually attacked. Once when the enemy succeeded in forcing back part of the line it was the pioneer battalions which counter-attacked with the greatest dash.

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